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In re Patent Application of Robert TISCHER	
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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PRODUCING AN ORDERED COMPILATION OF INFORMATION WITH MORE THAN ONE AUTHOR CONTRIBUTING INFORMATION CONTEMPORANEOUSLY	

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